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By the Lords Juſtices,

A PROCLAMATION,

Appointing the Diſtribution of Prizes taken, and the Bounty for taking Ships of War of the Enemy.

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WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament made in the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, entitled, An Act for the more effectual ſecuring and encouraging the Trade of his Majeſty's Britiſh Subjects to America, and for the Encouragement of Seamen to enter into his Majeſty's Service, it is amongſt other Things enacted, That the Flag-Officers, Commanders, and other Officers, Seamen, Marines, and Soldiers on board every Ship and Veſſel of War in his Majeſty's Pay, ſhall have the ſole Intereſt and Property of and in all and every Ship, Veſſel, Goods and Merchandize, which they ſhall take after the Fourth Day of January in the Year of our Lord One thouſand ſeven hundred and thirty nine, in Europe, and after the Twenty fourth Day of June, in the Year of our Lord One thouſand ſeven hundred and forty, in any other Part of the World (being firſt adjudged lawful Prize in any of his Majeſty's Courts of Admiralty in Great Britain, or in his Plantations in America or elſewhere) to be divided in ſuch Proportions and after ſuch Manner, as his Majeſty, his Heirs and Succeſſors ſhall think fit to order and direct by Proclamation to be iſſued for that Purpoſe. And as a farther Encouragement to the Officers, Seamen, Marines, Soldiers, and others on board his Majeſty's Ships of War, as alſo of Privateers, to attack, take and deſtroy any Ships of Force belonging to the Enemy, It is thereby alſo enacted, that there ſhall be paid by the Treaſurer of his Majeſty's Navy, upon Bills to be made forth by the Commiſſioners of the Navy, to be paid according to the Courſe thereof, without Fee or Reward, unto the Officers, Seamen, Marines, Soldiers, and others, that ſhall have been actually on board ſuch of his Majeſty's Ship or Ships of War, or Privateer or Privateers, in any Action where any Ship or Ships of War, or Privateers ſhall have been taken from the Enemy, ſunk, burnt, or otherwiſe deſtroyed, Five Pounds for every Man, which was living on board any Ship or Ships ſo taken, ſunk, burnt, or otherwiſe deſtroyed, at the Beginning of the Engagement between them, the Numbers of ſuch Men to be proved by the Oaths of three or more of the chief Officers or Men, which were belonging to the ſaid Ship or Ships of War, or Privateers of the Enemy, at the Time of her or their being taken as Prize, ſunk, burnt, or otherwiſe deſtroyed, before the Mayor or other chief Magiſtrate of the Port whereunto any Prize or Officers, or Men of ſuch Ships as were ſunk, burnt, or otherwiſe deſtroyed, ſhall be brought. Which Oaths the ſaid Mayor, or other chief Magiſtrate of any ſuch Port, is hereby impowered and required to adminiſter, and ſhall forthwith grant a Certificate thereof, without Fee or Reward, directed to the Commiſſioners of the Navy; upon producing which Certificate to the Commiſſioners of the Navy, together with an authentick Copy of the Condemnation of ſuch Ship ſo taken; or if ſuch Ship be ſunk, burnt, or otherwiſe deſtroyed, on producing only a Certificate from the Mayor or other chief Magiſtrate as aforeſaid, the ſaid Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Navy, or ſuch Perſon or Perſons as they ſhall appoint for that Purpoſe, ſhall, according to the Courſe of the Navy, within Fifteen Days, make out Bills for the Amount of ſuch Bounty, directed to the Treaſurer of the Navy, payable to and to be divided amongſt the Officers, Seamen, Marines, and Soldiers on board his Majeſty's Ships of War, in Manner, Form, and Proportion, as by his Majeſty's Proclamation to be iſſued for that Purpoſe, ſhall be directed and appointed, and amongſt the Owners, Officers, and Seamen of any private Veſſel or Ship of War, in ſuch Manner and Proportion as by any Agreement in Writing they ſhall have entred into for that Purpoſe ſhall be directed: We taking the Premiſſes into Conſideration, do, purſuant to the ſaid Act of Parliament (with the Advice of his Majeſty's Privy Council) by this Proclamation order, direct and appoint, that the neat Produce of all Prizes taken by his Majeſty's Ships of War, and Bounty Money for Priſoners taken in ſuch Prizes, be divided into eight equal Parts, whereof the Captain or Captains of any of his Majeſty's Ships of War who ſhall be actually on board at the taking of any Prize, ſhall be allowed three Eight Parts. But in Caſe any Prize ſhall be taken by any Ship or Ships of War under the Command of a Flag or Flags, the Flag Officer or Officers being actually on board, or directing and aſſiſting in the Capture, to have one Eight Part of the ſaid three Eights. To the Captains of the Marines and Land Forces, Sea Lieutenants and Maſter on board any ſuch Ships, ſhall be allowed one Eight Part to be equally divided amongſt them. To the Lieutenants, and Quarter Maſters of Marines, and Lieutenants, Enſigns and

and Quarter Maſters of Land Forces, Boatſwain, Gunner, Purſer, Carpenter, Maſters Mate, Chirurgeons, and Chaplain on board any ſuch Ships, one Eight Part to be equally divided amongſt them. To the Midſhipmen, Carpenters Mates, Boatſwains Mates, Gunners Mates, Maſter at Arms, Corporals, Yeoman of the Sheets, Coxſwain, Quarter Maſter, Quarter Maſters Mates, Chirurgeons Mates, Yeoman of the Powder Room, and Serjeants of Marines or Land Forces on board any ſuch Ships, one Eight Part to be equally divided amongſt them. To the Trumpeters, Quarter Gunners, Carpenters Crew, Steward, Cook, Armorer, Steward's Mate, Cook's Mate, Gunſmith, Cooper, Swabber, Ordinary Trumpeter, Barber, able Seamen, ordinary Seamen, and Marine or other Soldiers, two Eight Parts, to be equally divided amongſt them. And in Caſe any Sea Captain, Inferior Commiſſion, or Warrant Sea Officers, belonging to any Ship of War, for whom any Shares of Prizes are hereby allowed, be abſent, and not on board at the Time of the Capture of any Prize, the Share of ſuch Sea Captain, Inferior Commiſſion, or Warrant Sea Officer, ſhall be caſt into the Shares hereby allowed to the Trumpeter, Quarter Gunners, Carpenter's Crew, Steward, Cook, Armorer, Steward's Mate, Cook's Mate, Gunſmith, Cooper, Swabber, ordinary Trumpeter, Barber, able Seamen, ordinary Seamen, and Marine or other Soldiers, to be equally divided among them: Provided that if any Officer or Officers on board any of his Majeſty's Ships of War at the Time of taking any ſuch Prizes ſhall have more Commiſſions or Offices than one, he or they ſhall be entitled only to the Share or Shares of ſuch Prizes which according to the abovementioned Diſtribution ſhall belong to his or their reſpective ſuperior Commiſſions or Offices. And we do hereby ſtrictly enjoyn all and every Commander and Commanders of any Ships of War, taking any Prize, as ſoon as may be, to tranſmit or cauſe to be tranſmitted to the Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Navy, a true Liſt of the Names of all the Officers, Seamen, Marines, Soldiers and others who were actually on board his Majeſty's Ships of War under his or their Command at the taking ſuch Prize, which Liſt ſhall contain the Quality of the Service of each Perſon on board, and be ſubſcribed by the Captain or commanding Officer, and three or more of the chief Officers on board. And we do hereby require and direct the Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Navy, or any three or more of them, after Condemnation of ſuch Prize, to examine, or cauſe to be examined, ſuch Liſt by the Muſter Book of ſuch Ships of War and Liſts annexed thereto, to ſee that ſuch Liſt doth agree with the ſaid Muſter Book and annexed Liſts, as to the Names, Qualities or Ratings of the Officers, Seamen, Marines, Soldiers and others belonging to ſuch Ship of War; and upon Requeſt, forthwith to grant a Certificate of the Truth of any Liſt tranſmitted to them, to the Agents nominated and appointed by the Captors, purſuant to the ſaid Act, to take care or diſpoſe of ſuch Prize. And alſo upon Application to them, to give, or cauſe to be given, unto the Agents, who ſhall at any Time or Times be appointed as aforeſaid by the Captors of any Prizes taken by any of the Ships of War of his Majeſty, all ſuch Liſts from the Muſter Book of any ſuch Ships of War and annexed Liſts, as the ſaid Agents ſhall find requiſite for their Direction in paying the Produce of ſuch Prizes, or the Bounty, in Caſe any Bounty ſhall be due for taking the ſame; and to be otherwiſe aiding and aſſiſting to the ſaid Agents as ſhall be neceſſary.

Given at Whitehall the Nineteenth Day of June, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Forty, and in the Fourteenth Year of His Majeſty's Reign.

GOD Save the KING.

Turin, June 11, *N. S.* The Prince di Campo Florido, lately Ambaſſador from the Crown of Spain to the Republick of Venice, arrived here two Days ago in his Way to Paris, where he is going to aſſume the ſame Character in the room of M. la Mina. He propoſes continuing here a Day or two longer, and then to purſue his Journey with all Expedition. We are in daily Expectation of the Queen of Sardinia's lying-in.

Venice, June 18. The Prince Royal and Electoral of Saxony ſet out from hence on the 11th Inſtant for Vienna, on his Return to Dreſden, expreſſing great Satisfaction with the extraordinary Honours ſhewn him by Order of the Government during his Stay here. The Evening before his Departure, his Royal Highneſs preſented each of the four Nobles, whom the Senate appointed to accompany him while he was here, with his Picture ſet with Diamonds.

Copenhagen, June 21. Their Daniſh Majeſties, who intended to have been here by the 28th, 'tis ſaid are like to be detained ſome Days longer by a Viſit from the reigning Prince of Ooſtfriſe, who being come to Altena, has deſired Leave to wait upon them at Gottorp. Their Majeſties ſtay likewiſe for the Princeſs Dowager of Ooſtfriſe, who is upon the Road, and deſigns to return hither with their Majeſties, in order to ſettle in this Country.

Dreſden, June 26, *N. S.* On the 24th Inſtant died, aged about 80, Baron Loewendahl, Prime Officer of this Court, as Great Marſhal, and firſt of the Cabinet Council: But his Death will occaſion no Alteration in the Miniſtry, as he will probably be ſucceeded by Count Bruhl; who before had the chief Direction of every Thing belonging to this State.

Hanover, June 28, *N. S.* Colonel Count Trouchſes de Waldbourg, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of Pruſſia, arrived here this Morning from Berlin, and is to have his Audience of his Majeſty To-morrow at Herrenhauſen. M. Eſſenbourg came hither at the ſame Time, to compliment his Majeſty on the Part of the King of Denmark upon his Arrival in his German Dominions.

General-

General Post Office, March 14, 1739.

Whereas the Post-Boy, who was carrying the Worceſter Mail from London to Southall, was ſet upon this Morning about Four of the Clock, between Audley-ſtreet End and Tyburn Turnpike, by Two Footpads, one of which was a luſty Man, in a white Cape Coat, who preſented a Piſtol to the ſaid Boy, and demanding the Oxford Bag, led him into a Field againſt Audley-ſtreet End, opened the Mail, and took thereout the Worceſter and Oxford Bags; the Worceſter Bag containing the Ludlow, Tenbury, and Bromyard Letters; the Oxford Bag containing the Burford, Whitney, and Woodſtock Letters.

The Poſtmaſter General thinks proper to advertiſe the Publick, that whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted, both or either of the Perſons who committed the ſaid Robbery, will be intituled to a Reward of 200 l. beſides the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen. Or if any Perſon, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing thereof, ſhall make Diſcovery whereby the Perſons, or either of them who committed the ſame, may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer will, upon Conviction of the Party or Parties, be intituled to the ſame Reward, and alſo have his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Poſtmaſter General,

J. D. Barbutt, *Secretary.*

General Poſt-Office, April 2, 1740.

Whereas the Poſt-Boy carrying the Briſtol Mail from London to Hounſlow, was attacked and ſet upon between Three and Four a Clock this Morning, a little beyond Knightsbridge, by a ſingle Perſon on Foot, of a dark Complexion, and a middle Stature, having on a light-colour'd Horſeman's Coat with the Cape button'd up, who led him into an adjacent Field, and there took from him the Bath and Briſtol Bags, put them into a Green Bag, and rode off with them towards London on the Horſe that carried the ſaid Mail.

The Poſtmaſter General thinks proper to advertiſe the Publick, that whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted, the Perſon who committed this Robbery, will be intituled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, beſides the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen; or if any Perſon, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing thereof, ſhall make a Diſcovery whereby the Perſon who committed the ſame may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer will, upon Conviction of the Party, be intituled to the ſame Reward, and alſo have his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Poſtmaſter General.

J. D. Barbutt, *Secretary.*

General Poſt Office, London, June 16, 1740.

Whereas the Poſt-Boy carrying the North Mail from Royſton to Ware, was attacked in the Highway, between One and Two of the Clock laſt Friday Morning, the 13th Inſtant, on the North Side of Hamill's Park, belonging to Ralph Freeman, Eſq; about three Miles beyond Ware, by a ſingle Highwayman, who was a ſhort thick Man in his own Hair, with a brown great Coat, riding a black Horſe, with a Star in his Forehead, having two white Heels behind, who took from him the Peterborough Mail, which contained the following Bags, viz. Peterborough, Boſton, Louth, Horncaſtle, and Spalding.

The Poſtmaſter General thinks proper to advertiſe the Publick, That whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted, the Perſon who committed this Robbery, will be entitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, beſides the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen; or if any Perſon, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing thereof, ſhall make a Diſcovery, whereby the Perſon who committed the ſame may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer will, upon Conviction of the Party, be entituled to the ſame Reward, and alſo have his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Poſtmaſter General.

J. D. Barbutt, *Secretary.*

Advertiſements.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors of Nicholas late Earl of Scarſdale, deceaſed, who have not already proved their Debts, are hereby required to come in and prove the ſame before Samuel Burroughs, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Chancery Lane, on or before Tueſday the 15th Day of July next peremptorily, otherwiſe they will be abſolutely precluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors of Henry late Earl of Bradford, deceaſed, are to come before William Kinaſton, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Lincoln's Inn, on or before the 6th Day of November next, and prove their reſpective Demands, or in Default thereof they will peremptorily be excluded all Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

WHereas an Aſſignment of the Eſtate and Effects of Timothy Forbes and Osborne Straton, of London, Merchants and Partners, Bankrupts, hath been made by the Commiſſioners to Thomas Marlar, of Bedington, in the County of Surry, Callico Printer, and Samuel Henderſon, of London, Merchant; This is to give Notice to all Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupts, or either of them, or that have any Goods or Effects of theirs, or either of theirs in their Hands, are not to pay or deliver the ſame to the ſaid Bankrupts, or either of them, or their or either of their Order, but are deſired forthwith to give Notice thereof to the ſaid Aſſignees, and pay or deliver the ſame to them, or they will be ſued without further Notice by Mr. John Harwood, Attorney in Grocers Alley in the Poultry, London.

THE Aſſignees of the Eſtate and Effects of Benjamin Fielder, late of Fareham, in the County of Southampton, Maltſter, againſt whom a Commiſſion of Bankruptcy was lately awarded, do hereby give Notice to and deſire the Creditors of the ſaid Bankrupt, to meet at the Red Lyon Inn at Fareham aforeſaid, on the 9th of July next, by Four in the Afternoon, to conſider of and conſult whether they ſhould or ſhould not commence a Suit or Suits in Equity againſt a certain Perſon or Perſons in Matters of Account relating to the Eſtate and Effects of the ſaid Bankrupt; and alſo touching ſeveral other Matters and Things relating to the ſaid Bankrupt.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded and iſſued forth againſt Thomas Hill, of Tower Hill, London, Grocer, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners in the ſaid Commiſſion named, or the major Part of them, on the 5th and 9th of July next, and on the 5th of Auguſt following, at Three in the Afternoon on each of the ſaid Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Diſcovery and Diſcloſure of his Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the 2d Sitting to chuſe Aſſignees, and at the laſt Sitting the ſaid Bankrupt is required to finiſh his Examination, and the Creditors are to aſſent to or diſſent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the ſame but to whom the Commiſſioners ſhall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Ambroſe Lorance, of White Chappel, Sugar-Refiner.

Whereas